

REMARKS/ARGUMENTS

Claims 1-14 have been canceled, and new Claims 15-16 have been added. For support, see original Claim 14 and specification page 31, lines 6-16. No new matter has been entered.

The outstanding double patenting rejection is traversed, as Claims 1-14 have been canceled. New Claims 15-16 are submitted to be patentable, and early notification thereof is respectfully requested.

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